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June 24, 2014

Via Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 10-90, WC Docket No. 11-42

2014 ETC Annual Report of Bruce Telephone Company, Inc.

Study Area Code 280447

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Bruce Telephone Company, Inc. ("Bruce"), JSI files the attached confidential and redacted versions of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules. Bruce seeks confidential treatment under Protective Order for section 54.313(f)(2) financial information. The redacted version is also being filed this date via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System. In addition, attached is a letter requesting confidential treatment under Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the initial section 54.202(a) Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan.³

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President

301-459-7590

jkuykendall@jsitel.com

cc: Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division (two copies, confidential)

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

² Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Protective Order, DA 12-1857 rel. Nov. 16, 2012 (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).

³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459, 54.202(a).



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Re: WC Docket No. 10-90, WC Docket No. 11-42 2014 ETC Annual Report of Bruce Telephone Company, Inc. Study Area Code 280447 Request for Confidentiality

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. ("JSI"), on behalf of its client Bruce Telephone Company, Inc. (the "Company") hereby requests, pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, withholding from public inspection certain information contained in an attachment to the above referenced reporting requirement. The Company provides the following in support of its request, numbered consistent with the subparagraphs of Section 0.459(b).

- 1. The information for which the Company is seeking confidential treatment is an attachment to the Company's annual reporting information pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules ("Report").³
- 2. Rate-of-Return Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") must file with the Commission an initial section 54.202(a) Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan ("Five-Year Plan") which is contained in the attachment to the 2014 Report.⁴
- 3. The information contained in attachment for which the Company seeks the withholding from public inspection is the entirety of data pertaining to the Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment. Information of this nature is confidential commercial information routinely withheld from public inspection.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459.

² 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b)(1) through (9).

³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

⁴ See In the Matter of Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90, Order DA 14-591 (rel. May 1, 2014).

- 4. With respect to identifying the degree to which the subject attachment concerns a service that is subject to competition, the information is of a financial and competitive nature regarding the provision of telecommunications services. The Line 112 attachment contains competitively sensitive information related to proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance the Company's network.
 - In its March 5, 2013 Order, the FCC. The FCC specified that for rate-of-return carriers, the five-year plans "should describe the carrier's network improvement plan, which should provide greater visibility into current plans to extend broadband service to unserved locations in rate-of-return service territories." Accordingly, because the Company is a rate-of-return carrier, it must file a five-year service improvement plan which contains proprietary, competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network including the specific locations of customers as well as describe proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance of its network throughout its service area. Specifically, this information sets forth services provided by the Company over its existing network including specific locations of customers as well as planned network improvement and maintenance for the years 2015 through 2019 including project start and completion dates, population that will be impacted by the improvements and upgrades at the wire center level and projected capital costs associated with the improvements and upgrades and operating costs associated with maintaining the network including depreciation for investments that have already been made. As such, this information contains competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network as well as detailed plans at the wire center level for network upgrades and maintenance projected for the years 2015 through 2019.
- 5. With respect to identifying possible exposure to competitive harm, the information contained in the Line 112 attachment is information that is not customarily released to the public. This information is proprietary to the Company, is unique to the Company's serving territory and is only known to the Company and its authorized agents. If the Information is not protected, it would have economic value to potential competitors who would be able to target their marketing to specific customers. In a competitive telecommunications marketplace, this type of information is highly sensitive. If publicly disclosed, it would enable competitors to craft business plans that capitalize on their knowledge of the locations of the Company's customers which would place the Company at a competitive disadvantage.
- 6. With respect to steps the Company has taken to ensure against unauthorized disclosure of the information contained in the attachment, the Company is filing the attachment under seal. The Company uses the information contained in the Five-Year Plan to ensure that its customers continue to receive state-of-the-art high quality telecommunications and broadband services that the Company has

⁵ See Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket 10-90 et al., Order, DA 13-332 (rel. Mar. 5, 2013) ("March 5, 2013 Order") at para 9 citing Section 54.202(a) (1) (ii).

been providing to them for many years as well as to satisfy mandatory reporting requirements and does not share the information for which protection is sought. The Company protects the secrecy of this information with a security protocol that ensures the information is not inadvertently disclosed or disseminated. Only directors, managers and employees with a direct need to know are authorized to access the information.

- 7. Any previous versions of this information are not publicly available.
- 8. Because the information is not routinely available, a need exists for maintaining the confidentiality of this information permanently.
- 9. Not applicable.

Based on the preceding, JSI respectfully requests on behalf of the Company that the Commission grant confidential treatment under Section 0.459 to Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President 301-459-7590

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FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting

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FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
July 2013

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					See at	See attached worksheet			

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- See attached worksheet --

(800) Operating Companies			FCC Form 481
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<810> Reporting Carrier Bruce Telephone Company, Inc.			
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<pre><812> Operating Company Bruce Telephone Company, Inc.</pre>			
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(900) Tribal Lands Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
	BRUCE TEL CO - MS
Program Year	2015
	Rick Bennett
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COSS CONTACT EMAIL Address - Email Address of person identified in data line COSOS	rpennetr@nexband.com
<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves	
<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	
	Name of Attached Document
If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to \$5.4.313(a)(9) includes: Select (Yes,No, Select) Select (Yes,No, NA) Nand as sessessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions. Select (Yes,No, NA) Select (Ye	ti o control o c

(1100) N Data Coll	(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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	Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers	
<1130>	upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)	

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(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers Lifeline Data Collection Form	<010> Study Area Code <015> Study Area Name	Program Year	 Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <0.30> Contact Email Address of person identified in data line <0.30> 	280	<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans	<1220> Link to Public Website	"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:	<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$	<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.

(2000) Price Cap Carr	(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 48.1
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CHECK the boxes belk	ow to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect Americ support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e	CHECK the boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e) the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.
Incrementa	Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting	
<2010> 2nd	2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)}	
<2011> 3rd	3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)}	
Price Cap C	Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)}	
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	2014 Frozen Support Certification	
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	5th year Broadband Service Certification	
<2019> Interir	Interim Progress Certification	
<2020> Please pursua addres preced	Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	ne 2021, contains the required information in the number, names, and saccess to broadband service in the
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		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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CHECK t	the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant	CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47
	CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the	CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.
(3010)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(j))	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
(3011)	Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began	2 contains the required information pursuant to es of community anchor institutions to which began
	providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	
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(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	
(3013)	Is vour company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information (Ves/No)
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS	(Yes/No)
Please	check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017,	check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:
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(3016)	refection in the common soft of the common statement and Statement of Cash Flows Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	Flows
		447ms3017.pdf
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?	(Yes/No)
	If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § $54.313(f)(2)$, contains	
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a for	statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	l Flows
(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.	formed the company's financial audit.
	If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:	
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(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	
	_	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.

Name of Reporting Carrier:

Signature of Authorized Officer:

Date

Printed name of Authorized Officer:

Title or position of Authorized Officer:

Telephone number of Authorized Officer:

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:

Filing Due Date for this form:

Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize a	an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I is nsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized ovided to the authorized agent is accurate.
Name of Authorized Agent: John Staurulakis, Inc.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: BRUCE TEL CO - MS	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/22/2014
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Stephanie Hand	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Controller	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 6017643463 ext.808	0
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 280447	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2014
, ,	ished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment er Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients of	n Behalf of Reportir	ng Carrier
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipic the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information rep		
Name of Reporting Carrier: BRUCE TEL CO - MS		
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: John Staurulakis, Inc.		
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date:	06/22/2014
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Lans Chase		
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Staff Director - Regulatory Affairs		
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 7705692105 ext.1		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 280447 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2014		
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 4 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	17 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or	r fine or imprisonment under Title

Attachments

BRUCE TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. (SAC 280447) ATTACHMENT - LINE 112 FIVE YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN ATTACHMENT REDACTED IN ENTIRETY

Demonstration of Complying with Applicable Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules For Voice and Broadband

In establishing this certification in its 2005 ETC Order,¹ the FCC found that an ETC must make "a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers." The FCC found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA's Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement" and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis.³ In this context, the FCC stated, "to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement."

Bruce Telephone Company, Inc. ("Company") hereby certifies that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules. The Company is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law and pursuant to the orders in Mississippi Public Service Commission Docket No. 2005-AD-662. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) filing a Local Exchange Tariff pursuant to the requirements of Mississippi Public Service Commission which disclose rates, terms and conditions of service to customers; (2) adherence to state consumer protection requirements governing telephone providers under Title 39 Utilities, Part III Rules and Regulations Governing Public Utility Service, Subpart 1, General Rules, and Subpart 3, Special Rules – Telephone Companies, including requirements for customer

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 05-46 (rel. Mar. 17, 2005) ("2005 ETC Order").

² *Id.* at para. 28.

³ *Id.* The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: "(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy." *Id.* at n. 71.

service, billing, consumer complaints, rates and charges, and under Miss. Code Ann. Title 77, Chapter 3 statutes; and (3) truth-in-billing requirements; and (4) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

Company is subject to consumer protection obligations for broadband services under federal law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: public disclosure of accurate information regarding network management practices, performance, and commercial terms of broadband internet access services; as a means of providing sufficient information for consumers to make informed choices regarding use of such services, and for content, application, service and device providers to develop, market, and maintain internet offerings as specified in F.C.C. 47 C.F.R. Part 8 §8.3.

Demonstration of Ability to Function in Emergency Situations for Voice and Broadband Services

Bruce Telephone Company, Inc. ("Company") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2)¹ and pursuant to orders in Mississippi Public Service Commission Docket No. 2005-AD-662. The Company's network is designed to remain functional in emergency situations without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations as required by Section 54.202(a)(2). The Company can reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations will also allow the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available, or until system changes are made to reroute traffic. The Company has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites. Length of run time is determined by the equipment serving the area and the number of customers working out of the equipment. The company's standby generators and battery back-up support both voice and broadband network equipment should an emergency situation occur. The company's standby generators and battery back-up support both voice and broadband network equipment should an emergency situation occur.

Section 54.202(a)(2) requires ETCs that are designated by the Commission to "demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations, including a demonstration that it has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations."

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_	MS	ALL	39.95	0.0	39.95	3.0	0.0	0.0	Other, 384 Kbps Up - No Usage Allowances or Limits
	MS	ALL	44.95	0.0	44.95	4.5	0.0	0.0	Other, 512 Kbps Up - No Usage Allowances or Limits
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Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
Chickamauga Telephone Corporation	220354	
shone Compa	280454	
Mound Bayou Telephone & Communications,	Inc. 280462	
GulfPines Communications, LLC	289015	

http://www.brucetelephone.com/lowincomeassistance.htm

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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES

LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

GENERAL

The Company, as part of its obligations as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier, offers a low-income assistance program. This program, Lifeline Assistance, is offered under the terms and conditions provided below:

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Lifeline Assistance

A. General

Lifeline Assistance is a retail service offering available to qualifying low-income subscribers as provided for below. Lifeline Assistance enables eligible subscribers to pay reduced charges for the following package services: voice-grade access to the public switched network; local usage; dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; single-party service; access to emergency services; access to operator services; access to interexchange service; access to directory assistance; and toll blocking. An eligible customer receives credit for the Low-Income Assistance Program pursuant to FCC Order 12-11 and MPSC Docket 2007-AD-487.

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B. Regulations

1. A consumer household is eligible for Lifeline Assistance if the total household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Lifeline Assistance is also available to households containing at least one household member who participates in at least one of the following programs:

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- a. Medicaid
- b. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly "Food Stamps"
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- c. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- d. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- e. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

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f. Section 8 Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA)
 g. National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Initiative (NSLP)

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- 2. Each subscriber to Lifeline Assistance must certify in writing to the Company, under penalty of perjury, that he/she receives benefits under a program outlined in subparagraph B.1., above, or meets the income-based criteria, and must, on the same document, agree to notify the Company if he/she ceases to participate in the qualifying program. The certification form shall conform to the requirements described herein, and shall be made available upon request to any subscriber. The Company shall retain all such subscriber certifications pursuant to FCC Order 12-11 in order to furnish proof of subscriber eligibility as may be required from time to time by Universal Service administrators.

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LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Lifeline Assistance (continued)

- B. Regulations (continued)
 - All applications for this service are subject to verifications with the state agency responsible for administration of the qualifying program. The Company may request (T) any additional documentation deemed necessary prior to providing Lifeline benefits such as an administrating agency's official designation of eligibility in a particular means-based program found in sub-paragraph B.1., above, and that the telephone subscriber is the financially responsible party for the qualifying member of his or her household, or that the eligible household member is the telephone subscriber's dependent pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service.
 - A subscriber may elect at the time of subscription to Lifeline Assistance to receive toll blocking as part of Lifeline Assistance. "Toll blocking" is a service that permits a subscriber to elect not to allow the completion of outgoing toll calls from the subscriber's residence.
 - 5. Lifeline Assistance will not be disconnected for non-payment of toll charges. (D) (T) however, in the event toll charges are not paid within 10 days of the mailing of the Company bill, the Company will implement toll blocking immediately thereafter. In addition, the Company will not deny re-establishment of local service to customers who are eligible for Lifeline Assistance and have previously been disconnected for nonpayment of toll charges. Lifeline Assistance will not be connected if an outstanding balance is owed by the customer for local service.
 - The Company may not collect a service deposit in order to initiate Lifeline Assistance if the qualifying low-income subscriber voluntarily elects toll blocking from the Company, where available. (D)

NOTES:

- Sub-paragraph B.4. has been moved from sub-paragraph B.6. of this Sheet.
- b. Sub-paragraph B.5. has been moved from sub-paragraph B.7. Sheet 16.1-A.
- c. Sub-paragraph B.6. has been moved from sub-paragraph B.8. Sheet 16.1-A.
- d. Original Sheet sub-paragraph B.5. has been deleted per FCC Order 12-11.

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LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Lifeline Assistance (continued)

B. Regulations (continued)

- 7. The Company will reconcile and confirm all subscribers' eligibility annually pursuant to FCC Order 12-11 by requiring each Lifeline subscriber to respond to and provide proof of continuing program eligibility under penalty or perjury via a FCCcompliant survey that their household continues to meet program eligibility requirements specified in B.1., above. Lifeline subscribers who are determined to be ineligible shall be notified of their ineligibility in writing by the Company and provided 30 days from the date of such notice to rectify or otherwise demonstrate their eligibility prior to the discontinuance of their Lifeline benefits. All unresolved disputes regarding Lifeline eligibility shall be brought to the attention of the MPSC for resolution.
- 8. Only one Lifeline service is available per residential household pursuant to FCC Order 12-11. A household is any individual or group of individuals who are living together at the same address as one economic unit. A household may include related and unrelated persons. An "economic unit" consists of all adult individuals contributing to and sharing in the income and expenses of a household. An adult is any person eighteen years or older. When an adult having no or minimal income and living with someone who provides financial support to him or her, both people shall be considered part of the same household. Children under the age of eighteen living with their parents or guardians are considered to be part of the same household as their parents or guardians. A household is not permitted to receive Lifeline benefits from multiple providers.
- 9. A Lifeline customer may subscribe to any local service offering available to other (D) (T) residential customers.
- The PIC charge will not be billed to Lifeline customers who subscribe to toll (D) (T) blocking and do not presubscribe to a long distance carrier.

NOTES:

- a. Sub-paragraph B.7. has been moved from sub-paragraph B.4. of Sheet 16.1.
- b. Original Sheet sub-paragraph B.7. has been moved to B.5. of Sheet 16.1-A.
- d. Sub-paragraphs B.9 and B.10. have been deleted per FCC Order 12-11.
 d. Sub-paragraphs B.9 and B.10. have been moved from sub-paragraph B.11. and B.12.,
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LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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3. Partial payments that are received from Lifeline customers shall first be applied to local service charges and then to any outstanding toll charges.

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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES

LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Link-Up (D)

The Link-Up Assistance Program for non-tribal lands has been discontinued pursuant to FCC Order 12-11.

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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES

LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS Link-Up

The Link-Up Assistance Program for non-tribal lands has been discontinued pursuant to FCC (D)

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Lifeline Assistance ProgramApplication and Certification Form

First Name: MI:	_ Last Name	:
Last Four Digits of Social Security Number:	Dat	ee of Birth:
Physical Address:		
City:	State: MS	Zip:
My Physical Address is ☐ Permanent ☐ Temporary	☐ Multi-	Household
Billing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Telephone Number for which Lifeline Credits are to app	ly:	
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Lifeline Assistance Program Application and Certification Form

I certify under penalty of perjury the following (initial by each certification):

I currently meet Lifeline eligibility as ina	licated on Page One of this document.
cease(s) to meet program eligibility as specified on	vithin 30 days if I or my qualifying household member Page One or, for any reason, no longer meet(s) all stand and agree to comply with this notification.
If I move to a new address I will notify B	ruce Telephone Company within 30 days of my move.
If my address is temporary, I understand Bruce Telephone Company every 90 days.	nd that I may be required to verify my address with
	g nor will it receive Lifeline benefits from another nd Reachout Wireless while enrolled in the Lifeline
	fraudulent information to receive Lifeline benefits is arollment and possible program debarment, fines, or
	o provide proof of continuing program eligibility at cone Company, and any failure to do so, on my part, cce Program.
Signature of Applicant:	Date:
THIS SPACE RESERV	ED FOR OFFICE USE
Date of eligibility review:	
Description of applicant's proof of eligibility:	
(i.e.: SNAP card, SSI program letter, federal tax ret	urn, three consecutive months of paycheck stubs, etc.)
Proof of applicant's eligibility reviewed by: (B)	ruce Telephone Company authorized signature required)

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE TARIFF

GENERAL

This tariff is governed, except as otherwise specified herein, by the General Exchange Tariff, which is hereby made a part of this tariff. The charges quoted in this tariff are for a period of one month, payable monthly in advance, and entitle the subscriber to local exchange service and Extended Area Service to Calhoun City, Houlka, Slate Springs, and Vardaman, Mississippi, at the rates shown below.

RATES

RESIDENCE		
One Party Line Access		
Tel-Touch	\$ 18.87 ¹	(1)
Non Tel-Touch	\$ 17.34 R	1
BUSINESS		
One Party Line Access without hunting		
Tel-Touch	\$ 27.03 ¹	.5
Non Tel-Touch	\$: 25.50 R	2
One Party Line Access with hunting		
Tel-Touch	\$ 39.27 ¹	
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Non Tel-Touch	: \$: 37.74 ^R	
TRUNKS		
Combination ¹ (Two-way), per trunk		
Tel-Touch	\$ 39.27 ¹	
Non Tel-Touch	\$ 37.74 R	1
Inward Only ¹		1
Tel-Touch	\$ 39.27 ¹	
Non Tel-Touch	\$ 37.74 R	1
Outward Only		
Tel-Touch	\$ 39.27 ¹	- 1
Non Tel-Touch	\$ 37.74 ^R	(1)

¹ At the option of the customer, hunting is available at no additional charge.

Compliance filing in accordance with Docket No. 07-UN-123 which specifies all new and changed services of the type listed above in this Sheet will require Tel-Touch.

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Restricted to existing Non Tel-Touch subscribers as of the effective date of this tariff.

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